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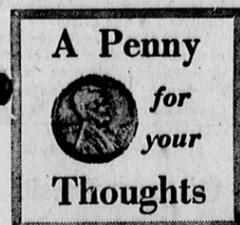
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TWO JAILED IN \$50000 SWINDLE



Entering December with the temperature in the eighties this question was suggested, "Would you rather have a white Christmas or do you prefer the 'May in December' weather we are having?"

Mrs. C. K. Lillie, 3495 3496 Janice St., Long Beach, housewife:

"I prefer the weather we are having over a white Christmas with snow, as I am a native of California. I do think, however, er, it is too warm for Christmas right now, but I prefer it to snow."

Lesley Flynn, 3960 Palos Verdes Dr., Val Monte student:

"I like snow for Christmas the best. You see, we moved here from Switzerland last year and I really got used to snow in the winter over there. I like to ski and think winter sports belong at Christmas time."

Mrs. S. C. Booth, 87 Prince St., Banning, housewife:

"I like Christmas weather like it is now. It is very comfortable like this. I am originally from Missouri and when it snows back there you can't go anywhere. The snow really gets deep in the winter there."

Hamilton V. Neil, 1001 Emerald St., Redondo Beach, printer:

"I like the weather here just like it is. I'm from Michigan where we have cold winters. I take what God issues up. His way is my way. That's what the matter is these days, people are always trying to change things."

Mike Sampson, 4365-185th St., El Nido student:

"I miss white Christmas as we used to have in Maine where I came from. I miss sleigh riding at Christmas time and the sled I usually got for one of my presents. I miss snowball fights, too."

Bonelli Returned By Supervisors

Frank G. Bonelli, chairman of the county board of supervisors during the past year, was returned to the post by unanimous vote of his colleagues Tuesday. Supervisor Kenneth Hahn made the motion which was seconded by Supervisor Ernest E. Debs. The motion was endorsed by all board members.

County's 66th City Created

Lawndale voters decided to set up Los Angeles County's 66th city Tuesday by a three-to-one margin at the polls. A complete, but unofficial tally, showed 1892 resident of the area favoring the incorporation of a city of Lawndale while only 572 opposed.

Elected as the city's first council at the same time were Chester A. Brown, merchant and active leader in the incorporation move; Frank T. Hogan, merchant; Thomas Thorpe, utility company employee; Charles E. Crawford, teacher; and Ernest Eeles, retired.

Forty-six per cent of the eligible voters cast ballots in the special election. Organization of the new city is expected to be completed by next July 1.

The new city will have about 15,000 residents.

Torrance Tops Area For Chest

Torrance is leading the entire Harbor Area Community Chest drive in overall percentage, with \$21,613 collected so far. With the end of the campaign only two weeks off, however, nearly 7000 dollars will have to be collected before the quota of \$28,401 is attained.

Torrance percentages posted so far are:	
C&I Firms	72.86
C&I Employee	75.68
Advance Gifts	83.83
Business	81.57
Residential	82.87
TOTAL	76.10

Results of the drive on Torrance business firms have not been as encouraging as had been anticipated and there is also some leeway to be made up in the other sections of the drive. City chairman Harold Frenz has asked all volunteers to stay on the job for a final assault on the target.

"Despite our leading position," says Frenz, "we are still some way off the quota — \$6788 to be precise — but we can still make it provided all the volunteers stay on the job and put everything into their efforts during this last critical two weeks."



REUNITED . . . "Lassie" and her mistress, Magdalene Zebekis, were reunited this week at the home of Lynda Gorchester. Lynda found the pet on the El Camino College parking lot and cared for it until the owners could be located. (Herald photo)

After Six Days

Girl and Collie In Gay Reunion

Everything is back to normal at the George Zebekis home in Hawthorne this week. "Lassie" is home.

A tearful reunion here Sunday morning between Lassie, a 2-year-old sable and white collie and her 2-year-old mistress, Magdalene Zebekis, ended a five-day hunt of Magdalene's parents for the girl's companion.

Scene of the reunion was the home of Lynda Gorchester, 20, an El Camino College student, at 4906 Marion Ave. Lynda and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Gorchester, had been caring for the pet since Wednesday.

Her parents became worried when she broke into tears of joy, and declined to eat.

Over the week end, they took her to Antelope Valley, hoping a change of surroundings might divert Magdalene's attention.

In the meantime, the reunion was already being set up by Lynda.

NOTICING THE collie was obviously lost on the El Camino parking lot Wednesday morning, Lynda returned when the dog was still there that evening. She called her mother, Jeannette, who works in the city engineering department.

"Please don't be mad at me, Mother," Lynda said. "I knew right away that something was cooking," Mrs. Gorchester told the HERALD Sunday.

Lynda went on to explain that she had become worried (Continued on Page 44)

Stolen Card Used on Big Buying Jag

Two men were jailed here by Torrance police this week as suspects in the theft of a bank credit card and purchase of about \$5000 in merchandise with a forged signature.

Booked on suspicion of forgery were John P. Moskus, 20, of 2707 W. Redondo Beach Blvd., and John Frazier, 24, of 1604 Goodman Lane, Redondo Beach.

The two are suspected of being part of a ring which went into stores throughout the area using a stolen credit card to make the purchases, according to Detectives Mickey Fischer and Gene Erbetta of the Torrance forgery detail.

Sgt. Fischer said a credit card issued to William R. Horton of Manhattan Beach had been stolen from his trousers pocket while he was in a Redondo gymnasium several weeks ago.

The officers said the merchandise purchased by the

group ranged from photo equipment to hardware. Much of it was sold later, they added. Preliminary hearing has been scheduled for Moskus here tomorrow. Frazier is in custody of Redondo Beach Police Dept.

Civic Group Sets Dinner Tomorrow

The South Torrance Civic Improvement Assn. will have a fish and chip dinner tomorrow evening at the Moose Hall, 1744 W. Carson St. Dinner will be served from 5:30 to 7:30.

Mouth-to-Mouth Breathing Saves Life of 1-Year-Old

The mouth-to-mouth resuscitation system employed by a 62-year-old grandfather was credited this week with saving the life of a year-old boy after he had suffered a convulsion.

Donald A. McLeod, manager of the Pleasant View Trailer Court on S. Vermont Ave., called sheriff's deputies and then began the mouth-to-mouth breathing when 1-year-old John R. Price was brought into the trailer court office by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C.

Price who were staying there. The child was in a coma and turning blue when the couple arrived, McLeod told deputies.

Arriving rescue squad members found the child had been revived and said the emergency treatment had saved his life.

McLeod, a former official of the Oregon State License Bureau is the father of four children and the grandfather of eight, his wife said, adding that he has had "plenty of experience with children."



A SUGAR PLUM DREAM . . . Five-year-old Linda Lescoe hugs a huge candy cane while getting ready to participate in the Sugar Plum Village which the Torrance Recreation Department will operate at the city plunge, Torrance Blvd. and Madrona Ave. The village project will feature Christmas displays and programs from 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 15 through 19. First nighters will be entertained by the Los Cancioneros, Hollywood Riviera singing group.

Bay-Harbor Ceremony Set

A cornerstone-laying ceremony for the new million dollar Bay-Harbor Osteopathic Hospital has been set for 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, it was announced here yesterday by Bowen Jenkins, D.O., chairman of the event.

The 50-bed hospital is expected to be finished and ready for occupancy about Feb. 1, 1960, he said.

At the time of the cornerstone-laying, a campaign to raise an additional \$134,000 will be opened.

With Brass Ensemble

Fall Concerts Opens Friday

First in a series of Youth Band-Artist Concerts will get under way tomorrow evening at the Campus Theater at El Camino College at 8 featuring the Torrance Area Youth Band and the Los Angeles Brass Ensemble.

The band, under the baton of Director James Van Dyck, will be featured during the first half of the concert and will join the ensemble for the second half.

The band will be featured in the 'Jingle Bell Rhapsody,' 'A Mozart Festival,' 'Gigi,' and 'A Christmas Festival.'

ALSO FEATURED during the first half of the program. High Madrigal Singers under the direction of Thomas Wilson. Saxophonist Ralph Gari, who is on the West Coast playing solo engagements, will be in the spotlight also during the first half of the program.

The Brass Ensemble, comprising two trumpets, a trombone, two French horns, and a tuba have performed extensively throughout the Southern California area.

INCLUDED ON their program tomorrow evening will be music from Bach's "Fantasia," Eugene Bozza's "Sonatine," Bartok's "Suite," and Samuel Barber's "Impression of a Parade."

Lester Remsen, director of the ensemble and first trum-

peter, will play Andre Wormser's "Fantasia, Theme et Variations." Dorothy Remsen, harpist, will play "Two Pictures," by Tournier and "Impromptu Caprice," by Pierne.

Tomorrow night's concert is the first of four in this sea-

son's series. Others will include performances of the Los Angeles Flute Club, the Mormon Choir of Southern California, and the four winners of the Youth Music Competition.

INDIVIDUAL admission for

the concert is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students, Director Van Dyck said.

Members of the Torrance Junior Women's Club, headed by Mrs. Charles Briner, will serve as ushers and hostesses for the concerts.



CONCERT FEATURE . . . The Los Angeles Brass Ensemble shown here will be featured with the Torrance Area Youth Band in the first of the season's concert series tomorrow evening at the Campus Theater at El Camino College. Other attractions include Saxophonist Ralph Gari and the Redondo High School Madrigal Choir.



NEW STORE OPENS . . . Opening today at the Shoppers Market center at Pacific Coast Hwy. and Crenshaw is the new Budget Variety Store, second in the Torrance area. Store wide specials will be offered customers during the opening celebration, officials say. (Herald Photo)